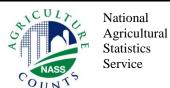


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Crop Progress & Condition Report



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Week ending April 10, 2011

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 4.6 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, April 10, 2011.** Fieldwork was slowed down last week by rain showers, but the outlook for farmers is generally optimistic. The first rice plantings emerged and wheat saw significant increases in heading. Major cotton plantings, however, have yet to start. Soil moisture was rated 2 percent very short, 9 percent short, 81 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending April 10, 2011

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Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, planted	79	66	72	77
Corn, emerged	53	27	44	56
Hay-Cool Season, harvested	3	0	12	7
Rice, planted	10	6	13	11
Rice, emerged	4		3	2
Sorghum, planted	3		7	0
Soybeans, planted	7	5	9	18
Watermelons, planted	45	40	48	51
Winter Wheat, jointing	96	93	80	86
Winter Wheat, heading	42	8	1	26

Crop condition for week ending April 10, 2011

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	
Blueberries	0	1	24	70	5	
Livestock	3	8	27	50	12	
Pasture	4	8	27	49	12	
Winter Wheat	4	6	21	50	19	

Comments
"Corn planting is slowing down, but soybeans and rice are being planted all over the county. Rice levees are being pulled and cotton will probably have an early start this year. Wheat continues to head and looks pretty good overall."
— Charlie Bush, Bolivar
"Most of the corn is in the ground and few soybeans have been planted."
— Don Respess, Quitman
"Farmers were able to get in some fields Friday, but it's been too muddy for most of the week."
— Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie
"Planting is started back on the corn."
— Stephen R. Winters, Grenada
"Some land preparation was done. Pastures are also looking better."
—Pamela Redwine, Yalobusha
"Wet field conditions continue to hamper planting progress. Most pasture settings are being treated for early emerging weed control."

"Rain and wet fields continued to slow fieldwork. Some corn and soybean planting was accomplished two days this

— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

- Patrick Poindexter, Alcorn

"Surface soil is still too wet to plant corn; but subsoil moisture is well below normal. Time is passing and the heat of summer is approaching."

— Ernest. Flint, Attala

"Pastures and hay fields are really in a growing mode with the warmer weather and adequate moisture."							
_	- Houston Therrell, Rankin						
"Field work resumed on Thursday. Corn is emerging well with few problems. Field prep is	progressing quickly."						
_	– Bill Burdine, Chickasaw						
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Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending April 10, 2011

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Air Tempe				rature			Precip	Precipitation			
Division/Station	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks		
Upper Delta											
Clarksdale	87	40	64	60	4	0.59	-0.60	1	2.58		
Cleveland	89	39	65	61	4	0.84	-0.53	1	2.31		
Lambert 1W	91	37	67			0.63	-0.49	1	1.72		
Tunica 2N	85	41	64	59	5	1.29	-0.05	1	3.55		
Extreme/Average	91	37	65	60	5	0.84	-0.48	1	2.54		
North-Central											
Batesville 2SW	89	35	69	58	11	1.00	-0.25	1	2.32		
Hickory Flat	88	34	62	57	5	0.89	-0.40	1	3.50		
Holly Springs	90	35	66	56	10	0.76	-0.51	1	2.49		
Independence	87	35	64	58	6	1.19	0.07	2	2.50		
Oxford	90	36	63	58	5	0.91	-0.31	1	4.12		
Extreme/Average Northeast	90	34	65	59	6	0.95	-0.33	1	2.99		
Booneville	88	37	62	58	4	1.09	-0.14	1	3.74		
Corinth 7SW	91	39	64	60	4	0.89	-0.14	1	2.81		
Pontotoc Exp	89	37	66	59	7	1.50	0.16	1	3.41		
Tupelo 2	89	40	63	37	,	1.52	0.00	1	4.10		
Verona	90	37	64	59	5	1.62	0.36	1	4.01		
Extreme/Average	91	37	64	59	5	1.32	0.05	1	3.61		
Lower Delta											
Belzoni	84	39	62	61	1	0.75	-0.60	1	1.42		
Moorhead	87	40	66	62	4	1.30	-0.03	1	2.04		
Rolling Fork	91	40	67	61	6	0.90	-0.45	1	1.85		
Yazoo City	91	43	69	62	7	2.45	1.00	1	3.38		
Extreme/Average	91	39	66	62	4	1.35	0.02	1	2.42		
Central											
Canton 4N	87	39	64	62	2	1.95	0.58	1	4.23		
Carthage	89	36	67	60	7	1.42	.02	1	3.07		
Eupora 2E	88	34	61	59	2	1.82	.46	1	3.83		
Forest 3S	86	34	65	61	4	0.57	-0.86	1	4.69		
Winona5E	86	34	60	57	3	0.78	-0.57	1	2.43		
Extreme/Average East-Central	89	34	64	60	4	1.31	-0.09	1	3.78		
Aberdeen	88	40	64	59	5	1.83	0.55	1	3.84		
Columbus	91	38	67	61	5 6	4.40	3.07	1	5.33		
Macon	88	38	66	59	7	1.30	-0.09	1	2.76		
Philadelphia	85	37	62	61	1	0.96	-0.40	1	2.00		
State University	90	39	67	60	7	1.76	0.41	1	3.49		
Extreme/Average	91	37	65	60	5	2.05	0.69	1	4.22		
Southwest											
Brookhaven City	85	39	68	62	6	0.67	-0.81	1	4.15		
Crystal Springs	87	38	66	63	3	1.13	-0.34	1	4.63		
Natchez	87	37	67	64	3	1.00	-0.47	1	2.52		
Oakley Exp				61		0.79	-0.68	2	5.28		
Vicksburg City	88	48	69			1.16		1	3.62		
Woodville 4ESE	85	38	64	63	1	0.35	-1.14	1	1.10		
Extreme/Average	88	37	67	63	4	0.85	-0.61	1	2.97		
South-Central					_	6.4-		_			
Collins	87	38	65	62	3	0.20	-1.14	1	1.00		
Columbia	88	40	68	63	5	0.35	-1.07	1	2.34		
Monticello	07	22	<i>C</i> =	62		1.05	0.42	1	3.55		
Raleigh 6N	87 87	33	65 65	62	3	0.79	0.00	1	4.02		
Extreme/Average Southeast	8/	33	65	63)	0.60	-0.80	1	2.73		
Hattiesburg	87	40	67	63	4	1.71	0.37	1	3.45		
Laurel	87	38	66	62	4	0.37	-0.86	1	2.62		
Newton Exp	88	35	65	60	5	0.57	0.89	1	4.08		
Waynesboro 2W	89	38	66	62	4	2.04	-0.91	1	5.79		
Extreme/Average	89	35	66	62	4	1.18	-0.14	1	3.99		
State	91	33	65	61	4	1.18	-0.17	1	3.33		
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DFN = Departure from Normal.